

Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1-36 were originally pending in this application. Claims 1, 8, 13, 20, 25 and 32 are independent. Claims 2, 3, 14, 15, 26 and 27 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1, 4-13, 16-25 and 28-36 are currently pending.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): An information control apparatus having control means for controlling a an image sensing range of a camera, comprising:

a storage means for storing device adapted to store a program for operating a predetermined action associated with the image sensing range of the camera;

an acquisition means for acquiring device adapted to acquire information about a current image sensing range of the camera; and

a control device means for activating adapted to automatically activate the program stored in said storage means device in accordance with the information when the current image sensing range of the camera acquired by said acquisition means device matches with the image sensing range of the camera associated with the predetermined action.

2 (WITHDRAWN): The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said apparatus further comprises detection means for detecting whether a user has a control right to the camera, and said control means activates the program stored in said storage means when said detection means detects that the user has the control right to the camera.

3 (WITHDRAWN): The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said apparatus further comprises detection means for detecting whether the user has a control right to the camera,

said storage means stores programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and said control means activates an action upon determining whether the action is an action to be activated while the user has the control right to the camera or an action to be activated even if the user does not have the control right to the camera.

4 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said storage ~~means~~ device stores programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and said control ~~means~~ device performs control upon determining termination/continuation of operation of a program under activation in accordance with a type of action under activation when said acquisition ~~means~~ device detects a change in the image sensing range of the camera in the presence of the program under activation.

5 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said storage ~~means~~ device stores a program for operating an action for display control of character information corresponding to a predetermined image sensing range of the camera.

6 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said storage ~~means~~ device stores a program for operating an action for setting or operating a printer.

7 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said storage ~~means~~ device stores a program for operating an action for transmitting electronic mail.

8 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): An information control apparatus having display means for displaying an image sensed by a camera, comprising:

a storage means for storing device adapted to store a program for operating an action for displaying a predetermined separate window together with an image displayed by from the window for the sensed image in said display means, wherein the program is associated with an image sensing range of the camera;

an acquisition means for acquiring device adapted to acquire information about a current image sensing range of the camera; and

a control means for activating device adapted to automatically activate the program stored in said storage means in accordance with the information device when the current image sensing range of the camera acquired by said acquisition means device matches with the image sensing range of the camera associated with the program, thereby executing display control of the predetermined separate window.

9 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said storage means device stores programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and said control means device performs control upon determining termination/continuation of display of a window in accordance with a type of action under activation when said acquisition means device detects a change in the image sensing range of the camera in the presence of a program for which display control is being performed.

10 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said storage means device stores a program for operating an action for display control of a window for displaying character information corresponding to a predetermined image sensing range of the camera.

11 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said storage ~~means device~~ stores a program for operating an action for display control of a window for setting or operating a printer.

12 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein said storage ~~means device~~ stores a program for operating an action for display control of a window for transmitting electronic mail.

13 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): An information control method having ~~the~~ a control step of controlling a an image sensing range of a camera, comprising:

~~the storage step of~~ storing a program for operating a predetermined action
associated with the image sensing range of the camera;

~~the acquisition step of~~ acquiring information about a current image sensing range
of the camera; and

~~the control step of~~ automatically activating the program stored in the ~~storage step~~
~~in accordance with the information~~ storing when the current image sensing range of the camera
acquired in the ~~acquisition step~~ acquiring matches with the image sensing range of the camera
associated with the predetermined action.

14 (WITHDRAWN): The method according to claim 13, wherein the method further comprises the detection step of detecting whether a user has a control right to the camera, and the control step comprises activating the program stored in the storage step when it is detected in the detection step that the user has the control right to the camera.

15 (WITHDRAWN): The method according to claim 13, wherein the method further comprises the detection step of detecting whether the user has a control right to the camera, the storage step comprises storing programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and the control step comprises activating an action upon determining whether the action is an action to be activated while the user has the control right to the camera or an action to be activated even if the user does not have the control right to the camera.

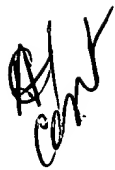
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cont* 16 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method according to claim 13, wherein the ~~storage step~~ storing further comprises storing programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and the ~~control step~~ controlling further comprises performing control upon determining termination/continuation of operation of a program under activation in accordance with a type of action under activation when a change in the image sensing range of the camera is detected in the ~~acquisition step~~ acquiring in the presence of the program under activation.

17 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method according to claim 13, wherein the ~~storage step~~ storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action for display control of character information corresponding to a predetermined image sensing range of the camera.

18 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method according to claim 13, wherein the ~~storage step~~ storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action for setting or operating a printer.

19 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method according to claim 13, wherein the ~~storage-step~~ storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action for transmitting electronic mail.

20 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): An information control method having ~~the~~ a display step of displaying an image sensed by a camera, comprising:

 ~~the storage-step of storing a program for operating an action for displaying a~~
~~predetermined~~ separate window ~~together with an image displayed from the window for the~~
sensed image in the display step, wherein the program is associated with an image sensing range
of the camera;

~~the acquisition-step of~~ acquiring information about a current image sensing range
of the camera; and

~~the control-step of~~ automatically activating the program stored in the ~~storage-step~~
~~in accordance with the information~~ storing when the current image sensing range of the camera
acquired in the acquisition-step acquiring matches with the image sensing range of the camera
associated with the program, thereby executing display control of the ~~predetermined~~ separate
window.

21 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method according to claim 20, wherein the ~~storage-step~~ storing further comprises storing programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and the ~~control-step~~ controlling further comprises performing control upon determining termination/continuation of display of a window in accordance with a type of action under

activation when a change in the image sensing range of the camera is detected in the ~~acquisition~~
~~step~~ acquiring in the presence of a program for which display control is being performed.

22 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method according to claim 20, wherein the ~~storage-step~~
storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action for display control of a
window for displaying character information corresponding to a predetermined image sensing
range of the camera.

23 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method according to claim 20, wherein the ~~storage-step~~
storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action for display control of a
window for setting or operating a printer.

24 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The method according to claim 20, wherein the ~~storage-step~~
storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action for display control of a
window for transmitting electronic mail.

25 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): A computer-readable medium used for an information
control method having ~~the~~ a control step of controlling a ~~an~~ image sensing range of a camera ~~and~~
~~storing a program~~ comprising program codes of:

~~the storage-step of~~ storing a program for operating a predetermined action
associated with the image sensing range of the camera;

~~the acquisition-step of~~ acquiring information about a current image sensing range
of the camera; and

~~the control step of~~ automatically activating the program stored in the ~~storage step~~
~~in accordance with the information~~ storing when the current image sensing range of the camera
acquired in the ~~acquisition step~~ acquiring matches with the image sensing range of the camera
associated with the predetermined action.

26 (WITHDRAWN): The medium according to claim 25, wherein the program further comprises a program code of the detection step of detecting whether a user has a control right to the camera, and the control step comprises activating the program stored in the storage step when it is detected in the detection step that the user has the control right to the camera.

27 (WITHDRAWN): The medium according to claim 25, wherein the program further comprises a program code of the detection step of detecting whether the user has a control right to the camera, the storage step comprises storing programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and the control step comprises activating an action upon determining whether the action is an action to be activated while the user has the control right to the camera or an action to be activated even if the user does not have the control right to the camera.

28 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The medium according to claim 25, wherein the ~~storage step~~ storing further comprises storing programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and the ~~control step~~ controlling further comprises performing control upon determining termination/continuation of operation of a program under activation in accordance with a type of action under activation when a change in the image sensing range of the camera is detected in the ~~acquisition step~~ acquiring in the presence of the program under activation.

29 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The medium according to claim 25, wherein the ~~storage~~ step storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action for display control of character information corresponding to a predetermined image sensing range of the camera.

30 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The medium according to claim 25, wherein the ~~storage~~ step storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action 25 for setting or operating a printer.

31 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The medium according to claim 25, wherein the ~~storage~~ step storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action for transmitting electronic mail.

32 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): A computer-readable medium used for an information control method having ~~the a~~ a display step of displaying an image sensed by a camera ~~and storing a program~~ comprising program codes of:

~~the storage step of storing a program for operating an action~~ for displaying a ~~predetermined~~ separate window together with an image displayed from the window for the sensed image in the display step, wherein the program is associated with an image sensing range of the camera;

~~the acquisition step of acquiring information about a current image sensing range~~ of the camera; and

~~the control step of~~ automatically activating the program stored in the ~~storage step~~ in accordance with the information storing when the current image sensing range of the camera acquired in the acquisition step acquiring matches with the image sensing range of the camera

associated with the program, thereby executing display control of the ~~predetermined~~ separate window.

33 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The medium according to claim 32, wherein the ~~storage~~ step storing further comprises storing programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and the ~~control step~~ controlling further comprises performing control upon determining termination/continuation of display of a window in accordance with a type of action under activation when a change in the image sensing range of the camera is detected in the ~~acquisition~~ step acquiring in the presence of a program for which display control is being performed.

34 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The medium according to claim 32, wherein the ~~storage~~ step storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action for display control of a window for displaying character information corresponding to a predetermined image sensing range of the camera.

35 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The medium according to claim 32, wherein the ~~storage~~ step storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action for display control of a window for setting or operating a printer.

36 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The medium according to claim 32, wherein the ~~storage~~ step storing further comprises storing a program for operating an action for display control of a window for transmitting electronic mail.

37 (NEW): An information control apparatus having control means for controlling an image sensing range of a camera, comprising:

a storage device adapted to store a program for operating a predetermined action;
an acquisition device adapted to acquire information about a current image
sensing range of the camera; and

a control device adapted to activate the program stored in said storage device in
accordance with the information acquired by said acquisition device,

wherein said storage device stores programs for operating a plurality of different
actions, and said control device performs control upon determining termination/continuation of
operation of a program under activation in accordance with a type of action under activation
when said acquisition device detects a change in the image sensing range of the camera in the
presence of the program under activation.

38 (NEW): An information control apparatus having display means for displaying an image
sensed by a camera, comprising:


a storage device adapted to store a program for displaying a window from the
window for the sensed image in said display means, wherein the program is associated with an
image sensing range of the camera;

an acquisition device adapted to acquire information about a current image
sensing range of the camera; and

a control device adapted to automatically activate the program stored in said
storage device when the current image sensing range of the camera acquired by said acquisition
device matches with the image sensing range of the camera associated with the program, thereby
executing display control of the separate window,

wherein said storage device stores programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and said control device performs control upon determining termination/continuation of display of a window in accordance with a type of action under activation when said acquisition device detects a change in the image sensing range of the camera in the presence of a program for which display control is being performed.

39 (NEW): An information control method having a control step of controlling an image sensing range of a camera, comprising:

 storing a program for operating a predetermined action associated with the image sensing range of the camera;

acquiring information about a current image sensing range of the camera; and

automatically activating the program stored in the storing when the current image sensing range of the camera acquired in the acquiring matches with the image sensing range of the camera associated with the predetermined action,

wherein the storing further comprises storing programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and the controlling further comprises performing control upon determining termination/continuation of operation of a program under activation in accordance with a type of action under activation when a change in the image sensing range of the camera is detected in the acquiring in the presence of the program under activation.

40 (NEW): An information control method having a display step of displaying an image sensed by a camera, comprising:

storing a program for displaying a separate window from the window for the sensed image in the display step, wherein the program is associated with an image sensing range of the camera;

acquiring information about a current image sensing range of the camera; and

automatically activating the program stored in the storing when the current image sensing range of the camera acquired in the acquiring matches with the image sensing range of the camera associated with the program, thereby executing display control of the separate window,

wherein the storing further comprises storing programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and the controlling further comprises performing control upon determining termination/continuation of display of a window in accordance with a type of action under activation when a change in the image sensing range of the camera is detected in the acquiring in the presence of a program for which display control is being performed.

41 (NEW): A computer-readable medium used for an information control method having a control step of controlling an image sensing range of a camera comprising program codes of:

storing a program for operating a predetermined action associated with the image sensing range of the camera;

acquiring information about a current image sensing range of the camera; and

automatically activating the program stored in the storing when the current image sensing range of the camera acquired in the acquiring matches with the image sensing range of the camera associated with the predetermined action,

wherein the storing further comprises storing programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and the controlling further comprises performing control upon determining

termination/continuation of operation of a program under activation in accordance with a type of action under activation when a change in the image sensing range of the camera is detected in the acquiring in the presence of the program under activation.

42 (NEW): A computer-readable medium used for an information control method having a display step of displaying an image sensed by a camera comprising program codes of:

storing a program for displaying a separate window from the window for the sensed image in the display step, wherein the program is associated with an image sensing range of the camera;

acquiring information about a current image sensing range of the camera; and

automatically activating the program stored in the storing when the current image sensing range of the camera acquired in the acquiring matches with the image sensing range of the camera associated with the program, thereby executing display control of the separate window,

wherein the storing further comprises storing programs for operating a plurality of different actions, and the controlling further comprises performing control upon determining termination/continuation of display of a window in accordance with a type of action under activation when a change in the image sensing range of the camera is detected in the acquiring in the presence of a program for which display control is being performed.